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Your Highness,

I am deeply grateful for Your Highness' valued letter of Aug 4th which I have read with great interest.

I have noted the instructions about the Silk industry. Your Highness's special interest with all as an incentive to further effort on the part of our officers & the people onwards. A note is being prepared against Your Highness' return.

I will be submitting notes (for Mysore how elected fortnightly ones would do) of important events to supplement the Weekly Reports now going through H. H. The Yuvaraja. The Secretary's views as expressed in the Report on Indian Reforms & in his latest speech in Parliament fully endorse our suggestion in favour of a Second Chamber & of Representation of Indian States on that body. I am afraid, as in other States, a demand may come from Your Highness' subjects for increased representation of the public in the Councils of Government. Your Highness'

Studies of the Report will be of value for Your Highness to decide what attitude to take up when such questions are raised here.

Although the actual rainfall has been scanty and we are not yet free from anxiety, there is a perceptible change in the weather.

Their Highnesses the Maharanis have arrived in Bangalore today & His Highness the Yuvaraja is expected on Monday the 19th inst.

Your Highness's programme of movements including a visit to the Khyber Pass is very interesting & we look forward to Your Highness's return in excellent health & with many new ideas for our benefit.

I ever am,

Your Highness's devoted & humble servant,

M. Visvesvaraya